

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

DISTRICT OF WYOMING

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

V.

Stephan Harris, Clerk

CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

ROMIRO RUIZ-SARABIA

aka "El Cate," "El Primo" and "Pelon"

Case No.

DMJ246B

I, Ely Hebert, the undersigned complainant, being duly sworn, state the following is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

COUNT ONE

From on or about March 2010, in the District of Wyoming and elsewhere, the Defendant, **ROMIRO RUIZ-SARABIA aka "El Cate," "El Primo" and "Pelon,"** did knowingly, intentionally, and unlawfully combine, conspire, confederate and agree with other persons known and unknown, to possess with intent to distribute, and to distribute, 50 grams or more of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of methamphetamine, a Schedule II controlled substance.

In violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 846 and 841(a)(1) and (b)(1)(B).

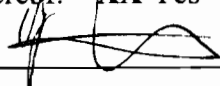
(Complaint Continued - Attachment A)

I further state that I am a Drug Enforcement Administration Special Agent and that this complaint is based on the following facts:

Your Complainant is employed as a Special Agent with the United States Drug Enforcement Administration, and at all times mentioned herein was acting in that official capacity.

(Affidavit Continued)

Continued on the attached sheet and made a part hereof: ☒ Yes ☐ No



Signature of Complainant
Ely Hebert

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence,

November 29, 2010


at

Casper, Wyoming

Date

R. Michael Shickich
U.S. Magistrate Judge

City and State



Name & Title of Judicial Officer

Signature of Judicial Officer

COMPLAINT - Attachment A

(Romiro Ruiz-Sarabia aka “El Cate,” “El Primo” and “Pelon”)

COUNT TWO

From on or about March 2010, in the District of Wyoming and elsewhere, the Defendant, **ROMIRO RUIZ-SARABIA** aka “El Cate,” “El Primo” and “Pelon,” did knowingly, intentionally, and unlawfully combine, conspire, confederate and agree with other persons known and unknown, to possess with intent to distribute, and to distribute, cocaine.

In violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 846 and 841(a)(1) and (b)(1)(C).

**AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF CRIMINAL COMPLAINT
SPECIAL AGENT ELY HEBERT**

U.S. vs. Romero Ruiz-Sarabia aka "El Cate," "El Primo" and "Pelon"

1. As a result of your Complainant's participation in and consultation with other law enforcement personnel in the investigation of matters referred to in this affidavit, your Complainant is familiar with the facts and circumstances of this investigation.

2. On March 25, 2010, Wyoming Division of Criminal Investigations (DCI) agents conducted a controlled purchase for approximately two grams of methamphetamine from **"El Primo De Tamaulipas,"** now known to be **ROMIRO RUIZ-SARABIA** aka **"El Cate," "El Primo" and "Pelon" (SARABIA)**. During the purchase, **SARABIA** was driving a vehicle utilized by and registered to Jaime CABRERA-GONZALES (CABRERA), an identified co-conspirator.

3. On April 7, 2010, DCI agents conducted a controlled purchase for one-quarter ounce of cocaine and one-half gram of methamphetamine from **SARABIA** in Gillette, Wyoming.

4. On April 9, 2010, agents receive authorization to intercept wire and electronic communications of **SARABIA**.

5. On April 14, 2010, agents learned through authorized telephone intercepts that **SARABIA** would be purchasing "1/2 a snow white" [one-half ounce of cocaine] from his source, at **SARABIA'S** residence located at 82 Antelope Trailer Court in Gillette, Wyoming. This meeting was confirmed by agents conducting surveillance.

6. On April 17, 2010, agents learned through authorized telephone intercepts that **SARABIA** would be selling “two of 100” to customers at the Wal-Mart in Gillette, Wyoming. This meeting was confirmed by agents conducting surveillance.

7. On April 20, 2010, agents learned through authorized telephone intercepts that **SARABIA** was attempting to purchase “one or two windows” (windows is a common word used to describe methamphetamine) from an unknown source of supply. Agents observed **SARABIA** speaking on his telephone simultaneously with the interception of this conversation.

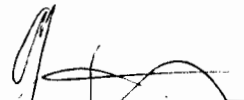
8. On April 28, 2010, agents learned through authorized telephone intercepts that **SARABIA** was directing another individual to deliver cocaine to a customer in Gillette, Wyoming. This transaction was confirmed by surveillance agents.

9. On April 30, 2010, agents learned through authorized telephone intercepts that **SARABIA** would be purchasing one ounce of cocaine from an unnamed, identified individual for \$1,300. Surveillance agents observed the vehicles driven by both parties in the same location in Gillette, Wyoming, but were unable to observe the transaction. On the same date, agents learned that **SARABIA** directed another individual to deliver methamphetamine in Gillette, Wyoming.

10. On May 10, 2010 DCI agents learned from a Confidential Source (CS) that **SARABIA** distributed cocaine in Gillette, Wyoming, and drove a red Toyota truck. **SARABIA** was identified by photograph. **SARABIA** was observed by agents, on multiple occasions, driving a red Toyota truck registered to Jaime CABRERA-GONZALES.

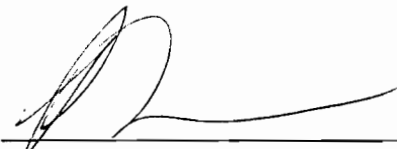
11. Based on the foregoing, your Affiant believes that there is probable cause to believe that **ROMIRO RUIZ-SARABIA** aka “El Cate,” “El Primo” and “Pelon” has committed violations of federal law from on or about March 2010, to wit: conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute, and to distribute, methamphetamine, in violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 846 and 841(a)(1) and (b)(1)(B), and conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute, and to distribute, cocaine, in violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 846 and 841(a)(1) and (b)(1)(C).

FURTHER YOUR AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.



Ely Hebert, Special Agent
Drug Enforcement Administration

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th day of November, 2010.



R. Michael Shickich
United States Magistrate Judge

PENALTY SUMMARY

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RE: ROMIRO RUIZ-SARABIA
aka "El Cate," "El Primo" and "Pelon"

ESTIMATED TIME OF TRIAL:

☒ five days or less
☐ over five days
☐ other

INTERPRETER NEEDED:

☒ Yes
☐ No

THE GOVERNMENT:

☒ will
☐ will not

☐ The court should not grant bond
because the defendant is not bondable
because there are detainers from other
jurisdictions

SEEK DETENTION IN THIS CASE.